(Rs. in crores)

Name of Unit	*1986-87*	*1987-88*	*1988-89*
1. Ferro Alloys Corporation Ltd.	27	25	62
2. Indian Metals & Ferro Alloys Ltd.	—	—	27
3. OMC Alloys Ltd.	2	13	21
Total :	29	38	110

Pepsi Cola Project

*54. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have assessed the utility and working of the agreement entered into between Pepsi Cola and the Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation for setting up of Food Processing Industries in Punjab;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to permit Pepsi Cola to diversify its products in collaboration with some other Indian Companies?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) Vide letter dated 19th/28th September, 1988 Government had approved the terms of collaboration between M/s. Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation with M/s. Pepsico Inc. USA in the context of the letter of intent given to M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation for setting up of a project for the manufacture of processed potato/grain foods, soft drink con centrate, processed fruit/vegetable products. Amongst the principal conditions to which this approval was subject were the following :—

(i) (a) Foreign Equity: 39.89%

(b) M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation will invest 36.1% and M/s. Voltas Limited will invest 24 per cent.

(ii) Lumpsum payment : US $8,00,000 (net of taxes) with tax liability to be borne by the Indian company.

(iii) Duration of agreement : 10 years.

(iv) The turnover from Soft Drink Concentrate manufacturing shall in no year exceed 25% of the total turnover of the company for that year.

(v) The project shall export 50% of its total turnover each year for a period of ten years from the commencement of commercial production of which 40% will be from the company's own manufactured products and 10% from Select List products manufactured by others. The foreign exchange inflow shall not be less than 5 times the foreign exchange outflow of the project during the above mentioned ten year period.

(vi) There shall be no import of proprietory ingredients to manufacture soft drink concentrates and the raw materials available within the country shall be used to the maximum extent possible. The import of any raw materials and chemicals that are not available indigenously shall be regulated by the Import Policy in force from time to time and no special Import concessions shall be allowed.

(vii) Foreign brand names shall not be allowed to be used on domestic sales.

(viii) Efforts should be made to increase export potential and the actual export performance of the project which would include export of soft drinks also.

(ix) The company shall set up an Agro Research Centre covering development of improved varieties development of optimum production technologies, multiplication of high quality seeds, oil seeds research etc.

As per the information furnished by M/s. Pepsi Foods Pvt. Ltd. the potato and grain processing plan is under operation while the fruit and vegetable processing plant and the soft drink concentrate plant are in an advanced stage of implementation.

(c) Pepsico Inc. have a 39.89 % equity shareholding in M/s. Pepsi Foods Pvt. Ltd. which is implementing a Letter of Intent granted for the manufacture of Potato/grain products, fruit/vegetable products and soft drink concentrates. There is no other proposal received by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries from M/s. Pepsico Inc.

Production of Natural Rubbers

*55. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that production of natural rubber in the country is much below its demand and if so, the details thereof ; and

(b) whether Government have any plan to increase the production of natural rubber to meet the needs of the country and to cut down its import ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU) : (a) and (b) No, Sir, it would not be proper to say that the production of natural rubber in the country is much below the demand, as nearly 85% the demand is met be indigenous production alone. The Government is making all possible efforts to cut down the imports by increasing indigenous production.

Reformation of the Judicial System

*56. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :

SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL :

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to introduce reforms in the Judicial System to make it speedy and less costly;

(b) whether any structural changes are also proposed to be made ; and

(c) if so, what are the main outlines thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI) : (a) to (c) The Government entrusted the study of judicial reforms to the 11th Law Commission in February, 1986 in accordance with the approved terms of reference. This study, inter alia, aimed at decentralisation of the system of administration of justice, reform of procedural laws, training of judicial officers, improvement in the method of appointments to the Subordinate Courts/Subordirate Judiciary etc.

The Commission submitted 18 Reports. The recommendations contained in these reports will be taken into account while introducing reforms in the judicial system.